

FISCAL NOTE
SB 2783 – HB 3117

March 9, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires business applicants, during registration as it applies to business tax, to provide truthful information in response to a question posed to them regarding whether they have ever been assessed a civil or criminal penalty under federal law for employing or recruiting unauthorized aliens. Authorizes the Commissioner for the Department of Revenue (DOR) to order county clerks and city tax collectors to refuse issuance or renewal of licenses, to suspend or revoke licenses, if the applicant has been assessed a civil or criminal penalty two or more times under federal law or has failed to truthfully answer the question posed to them under penalty of perjury.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

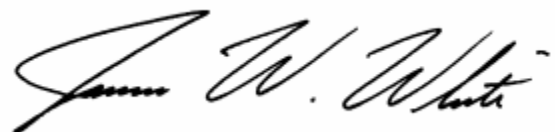
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Business owners are required to register their businesses with the appropriate county clerks and/or appropriate city officials for the purpose of collecting business tax.
- During this registration process, each business applicant would have to answer a question under the penalty of perjury whether they have ever been assessed any civil or criminal penalty for hiring or recruiting unauthorized aliens and indicate the number of times they have been assessed such penalties.
- The DOR would have the authority to require county clerks or appropriate city officials to revoke or suspend business licenses or renewals for business licenses for two or more penalties or for being untruthful in a response.
- Enactment of this legislation would increase the administrative costs incurred by the Department of Revenue and by local government.
- According to the Comptroller of the Treasury, the requirements of this legislation would not impose any fiscal burden on the county clerks or city tax collectors.
- The increase to state and local expenditures are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director